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TO : Acting Director of Logistics

DATE: 5 March 1963

FROM : Acting Chief,  
Real Estate & Construction Division, OL

SUBJECT: Monthly Activity Report

1. Administration

a. Further discussion with Mr. Ziernicki, Chief, Space Management Division, Public Buildings Service, Region 3, and several articles appearing in the local press, confirm his earlier advice to us that the General Services Administration is making every effort to accelerate its program for the demolition of the "Tempos". It does not appear that Alcott Hall, R&S, and Quarters Eye are in the immediate range of this program which is directed specifically to [REDACTED], I, J, K, and L along the Reflecting Pool and possibly [REDACTED] and Curie Hall on Independence Avenue; these latter two must come down to permit the National Park Service to go ahead with the tunnel under Lincoln Memorial and construction of the South drive which will extend eventually from the tunnel to 14th Street.

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Mr. Ziernicki had made an earlier comment that it might become necessary to move some of our people from the Potomac Park area to the Steuart Building if enough pressure was brought to bear to demolish all or any of the three buildings we occupy; Alcott Hall, R&S, and Quarters Eye. However, it now appears that GSA proposes to move some part of the Food & Drug Administration into the Steuart Building, although FDA is objecting strenuously.

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In view of the proposal to remove additional personnel from Langley [REDACTED] we should recognize that we are taking a calculated risk that the tempos we occupy will remain standing for an indefinite time. It is a fact that GSA has no space to offer for personnel coming out of Langley and we must of necessity move back into the tempos. Mr. Ziernicki had suggested that we put no further funds into these tempos but there appears to be no alternative if the decision is made to move personnel from Langley. We should keep in close touch with Mr. Ziernicki and be sure he is fully informed of our plans.

b. The Office of Security has taken exception to the agreement reached by the C/ISD, C/RE&CD and Mr. Castella of the Public Buildings Service that PBS would maintain the Security Protection Alarm Systems [REDACTED] in the Headquarters Building and Building [REDACTED]. This agreement covered not only maintenance but the installation of new or expanded systems.

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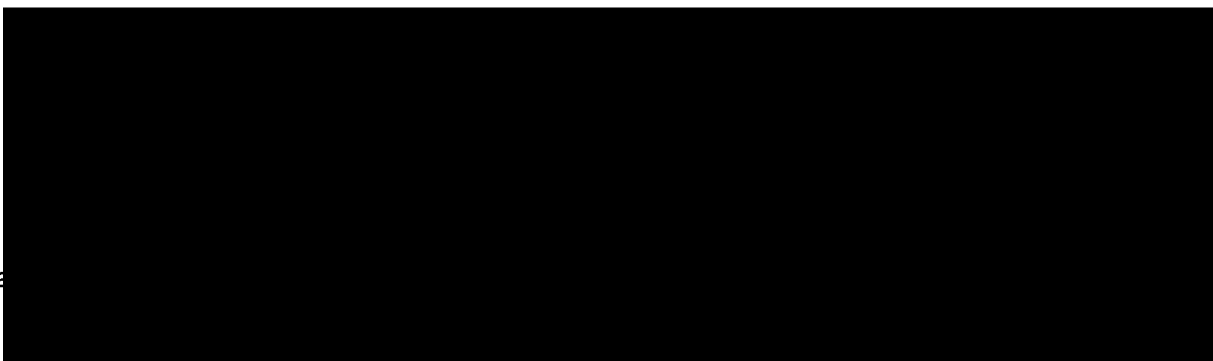
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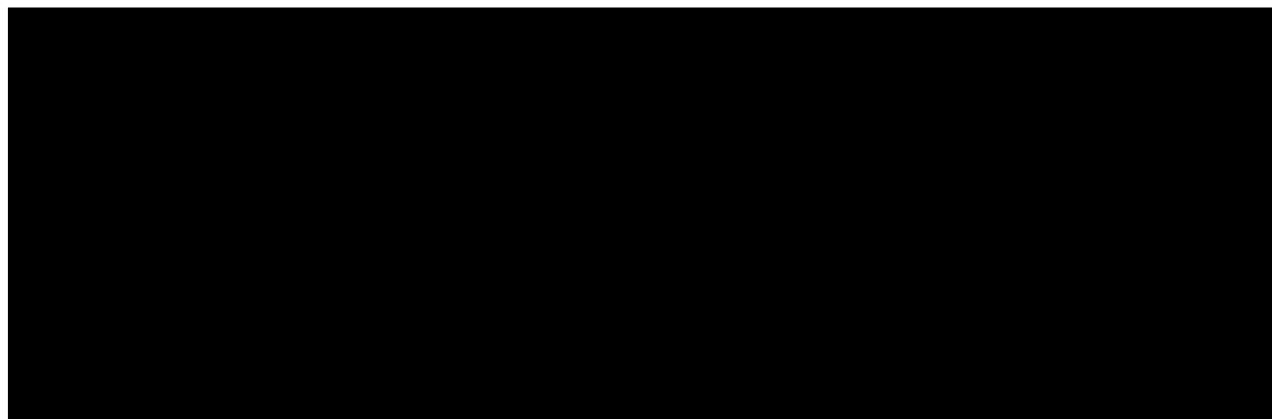
It is the judgment of this office that PBS can satisfactorily maintain the [redacted] in the Headquarters building just as they maintain the fire detection and alarm systems, air raid alarm and watchman tour systems. No specific agreement was reached at the meeting of 28 February but [redacted] who was representing [redacted] Chief, Physical Security Division, OS, will explore the matter further with [redacted] and with [redacted] Office of Logistics.

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c. [redacted] Electrical Engineer, RE&CD, has made a further survey of the power interruption on the Vepco 115 KV line serving the Headquarters Building which occurred at 1409 hours on 29 January 1963.

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The nine minute outage on the building was because of the time required by the GSA operating personnel to make a determination as to the cause of the outage and the reclosing of the main circuit breakers. This time was not excessive because the operator must make an accurate appraisal of the situation and act accordingly, which was done. The GSA electrical group should be commended for their efficient operation.

The Superintendent of Vepco Relay Department, Mr. John Laprade was contacted to determine whether this situation might be expected to reoccur; and if so, what correction steps might be taken. Mr. Laprade took part in the original design of the main headquarters substation. Mr. Laprade said the outage that occurred was due to a very abnormal situation and the chances were very slight of its reoccurring. A survey will be made of the relaying in our substation to determine if it is adequate.

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c. Personnel

25X1A9a [REDACTED] Architect-Engineer, returned to Headquarters  
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25X1A9a [REDACTED] Clerk-Steno, GS-5, was due to return from  
maternity leave on Monday 4 March 1963. She has just informed the  
office that she is resigning and will be in the office this week to  
submit her resignation and to be debriefed. Logistics Personnel has  
been asked to expedite a replacement as we have been operating short-  
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The Acquisition Branch has an acute need for a second girl.

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3. Acquisition Branch

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a. [REDACTED]

(1) General - Prepared a worldwide real estate summary for the Budget Division, "Analysis of Space Occupied by CIA as of 1 January 1963," for inclusion in the Congressional Budget for Fiscal Year 1964.

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(6) Langley Acquisition - GSA was requested on 4 February to acquire four parcels of land adjacent to the southeast sector of the Langley site. Three of the owners have granted permission to enter on their premises for appraisal purposes and the fourth may not be necessary. Each has retained an attorney for negotiations. GSA has separated the parcels into two groups; the two larger tracts will be acquired in fee simple, as being held by speculative developers interested in profits; the two smaller parcels are residences of the owners and negotiations will be to restrict freedom of development or transfer of property interests and obtain a right of entry by the Agency for inspection purposes at any time over a term of years. Condemnation action will proceed where necessary.

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